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San Francisco's invaluable Barry Bonds

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Wednesday Landmark Gay Marriage Ruling

Mass. high court finds state constitution guarantees unions

BOSTON | In the nation's most far-reaching decision of its kind, Massachusetts's highest court declared Tuesday that the state constitution guarantees gay couples the right to marry.

In its 4-3 decision, the Supreme Judicial Court gave the Legislature six months to rewrite the state's marriage laws for the benefit of gay couples. Although courts in other states have issued similar rulings, some legal experts said this one goes further in its emphatic language and appears to suggest that gay couples should be offered nothing less than marriage and not a lesser alternative such as civil unions, which are available in Vermont.

The ruling was another milestone in a year that has seen a significant expansion of gay rights around the world, including a U.S. Supreme Court decision in June striking a Texas ban on gay sex. Canadian courts also legalized gay marriage over the summer.

"We declare that barring an individual from the protections, benefits, and obligations of civil marriage solely because that person would marry a person of the same sex violates the Massachusetts Constitution," Chief Justice Margaret Marshall wrote.

Republican Gov. Mitt Romney denounced the ruling but said there is little the state could do except pursue a constitutional amendment. That would take several years, leaving a window of time in which gay marriage licenses could be granted. JENNIFER PETER (AP)

ITALY | GRIM PROCESSION



VICTIMS MOURNED: A casket covered in the Italian flag is carried by Carabinieri inside St. Paul's Basilica for a state funeral in Rome on Tuesday. Italians observed a national day of mourning for the 19 Italians killed in an attack on a paramilitary base in Nasiriyah, Iraq, last Wednesday.

Soccer Phenom Adu Inks Deal To Play for D.C.

WASHINGTON | Spurning overtures from some of the world's greatest clubs, 14-yearold American soccer star Freddy Adu signed a six-year deal with Major League Soccer. He will join D.C. United next season.

MLS will take full advantage of its signing coup by formally introducing Adu at New

York's Madison Square Garden on Wednesday.

Adu was courted extensively by Manchester United and other blue-chip European teams. He chose to remain near his home in Potomac, Md., where he and his fam-



ily have lived since emigrating from Ghana in 1997.

Adu will be the youngest person to play for a top-level U.S. professional sports team since 14-year-old Fred Chapman debuted for Philadelphia of major league baseball's American Association in 1887. (AP)

HEALTH | Chop Stuck Malaysian surgeons treating a man for an eye infection said they were surprised to find a chopstick embedded in his face. Doctors said they found the section of a wooden chopstick lodged in

tissue between 30-year-old Ng Keng Choon's eyes during exploratory surgery, the national news agency, Bernama, reported. Ng was stabbed with a chopstick during an attack five years ago, but says he didn't know part of it had broken off and lodged in his face. (AP) EyeOpeners | Page 2

EyeOpeners



Bathing in Breakfast

You loved him as "that weird guy pushing a nut through London with his nose," earlier this year, now 37-year-old Mark McGowan has assumed a new role: "That weird guy soaking in baked beans." McGowan began his latest piece of performance art on Friday, planning to sit eight hours a day for 12 days in a bath of baked beans with French fries up his nose and sausages wrapped around his head, Reuters reports. He says he's doing it as a tribute to the muchmaligned traditional greasy English breakfast. (EXPRESS)

HISTORY

Dental Discovery

German archaeologists have unearthed what could be Europe's oldest toothbrush, officials said Tuesday. The brush, dug up at the site of a former hospital in the western city of Minden, is at least 250 years old, said the Landscape Association of Westfalen-Lippe, which oversees the excavation. While the bristles have rotted away, the brush's 4-inch handle of animal bone is carved at the other end into a tiny spoon believed to have been used for cleaning out the owner's ears. (AP)



TELECOMMUNICATIONS Change Is Painful

A man and a pay phone were rushed to an East St. Louis, III., hospital after he got his finger stuck in the coin return slot while trying to remove his 50 cents. Emergency room doctors gave Emanuel Fleming a painkiller Monday and pried his middle finger loose using a wooden device and lubricant, ending a three-hour ordeal. Fleming had tried to call his wife, but the line was busy. (AP)



HOLIDAY CHEER Santa's Got Your Digits

Children anxious to see Santa Claus at the Crosswinds mall in Kalamazoo, Mich., this holiday season may have

out pagers that will beep, flash and vibrate to alert parents and kids when it's time for children to take their turn on Santa's knee. In previous years, mall officials say, visitors have had to wait up to two hours in line to see St. Nick. (AP)

to wait, but it won't be in a long line. Santa's helpers will instead hand

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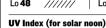
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Pollen Index (Yesterday)

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Man Faces Charges After Hijacking School Bus

An unarmed man hijacked a school bus with 38 students on board and ordered the driver to take him to a stadium to save the kids from terrorists. police said. Jovanta Frazier, 20, was arrested without incident and the high school students were escorted back to school. He has been charged with 39 counts of false imprisonment. (AP)

WASHINGTON

Prepare for Long Holiday Airport Lines, Officials Say

The government warned Tuesday that airport security lines likely will get longer during the busy holiday travel season and offered tips to help limit how long people must wait. Officials urged air travelers to put loose metal objects and electronics in carry-on bags; take laptops out of cases; and take off coats and jackets. | More information: www.TSATravelTips.us (AP)

BARROW, ALASKA

There Goes The Sun

The sun is setting on America's northernmost city and won't be seen again for two months. After Tuesday, residents of this city of 4,400 people on the Arctic Sea, about 330 miles from the Arctic Circle, won't have a sunny day until at least Jan. 23. (AP)

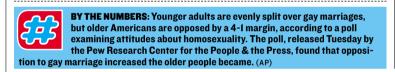
Correction:

An article in Tuesday's Express, "Nigerian Vaccines Shown to Be Safe," incorrectly identified Atiku Abubakar: he is Nigeria's vice president. Also yesterday, an item about musician Rod Stewart mischaracterized his relationship with Penny Lancaster, who is Stewart's girlfriend.

SEVERE STORMS | SIGN FROM ABOVE



LUCKY BREAK: Birmingham, Ala., firefighters examine a sport utility vehicle that was hit by a falling hotel sign as winds of up to 50 mph and heavy rains swept through the state on Tuesday, peeling shingles off roofs and toppling trees and power lines. No one was injured in the incident.



Doctor: Hinckley Not Dangerous

Reagan shooter seeks unsupervised visits with his aging parents

WASHINGTON | John Hinckley Jr.'s former psychiatrist lent his voice Tuesday to the chorus of support for letting the man who shot President Reagan visit his parents without supervision.

Reagan's family and the government oppose the idea.

Robert Keisling, who treated Hinckley at St. Elizabeths Hospital in 1998 and 1999, said his former patient would not be dangerous to himself or others if he were allowed to visit his parents.

Keisling said Hinckley is recovering from the mental illness he suffered from when he shot Reagan and three others outside a Washington hotel in March 1981. Hinckley, 48, said he shot the president to impress actress Jodie Foster. He was acquit-



John Hinckley arrives at U.S. District Court in Washington on Tuesday.

ted by reason of insanity.

"The violent acts occurred when he was in a psychotic episode," Keisling said. "As far as I can tell, there hasn't been any evidence of psychosis in the last 16 years."

Under a 1999 federal appeals court ruling, Hinckley has been able to take supervised day trips off hospital grounds. Now he wants to travel unescorted to his parents' home in Williamsburg, Va., some three hours AWAY. JONATHAN D. SALANT (AP)

HEARSAY | SPACE

"We're trying to launch when we can safely, and if that means we launch in September, fine. ... It will be when it happens."

-JAMES HALSELL

A NASA SHUTTLE COMMANDER. ON THE AGENCY'S EFFORTS TO UPGRADE SAFETY PROCE-DURES TO ALLOW FOR A SPACE MISSION IN 2004.

Dems Slam AARP's Drug Bill Stance

BEDFORD, N.H. | Turning on their host, several of the Democratic presidential candidates scolded the powerful AARP for endorsing a Republican-backed Medicare prescription drug bill that they argued would do long-term damage to the federal program for seniors.

Six of the nine candidates participated in the morning forum sponsored by the 35 millionmember organization that represents Americans age 50 or older. The AARP's sponsorship didn't stop the Democrats from assailing the bill or the group, which in a boost to the GOP on Monday announced its support for the legislation.

Candidates Wesley Clark, Howard Dean, John Edwards, Dick Gephardt and John Kerry criticized the bill as a giveaway to private insurers that will undermine the federal health program for seniors. HOLLY RAMER (AP)

The candidates' concerns: More on the Democratic candidates' opposition to the new Medicare bill and GOP efforts to get it through Congress washingtonpost.com/politics



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Pilot Error Blamed In Wellstone Crash

Senator, 7 others died in aircraft accident

WASHINGTON | Pilot error caused the plane crash that killed Sen. Paul Wellstone, D-Minn., and seven others, investigators said Tuesday.

Investigators told the National Transportation Safety Board that the twin-propeller King Air A100 stalled when it slowed down too quickly while approaching Eveleth-Virginia Municipal Airport in northern Minnesota on Oct. 25, 2002. The plane lost altitude, veered sharply, sheared off treetops and crashed 2½ miles short of the runway.

"The flight crew did not monitor and maintain minimum speed," NTSB Aircraft Performance Group Chairman Charlie Pereira told the

board, which will vote on whether to accept the finding.

Wellstone; his wife, Sheila; their 33-year-old daughter, Marcia Wellstone Markuson; three campaign aides; the pilot and co-pilot died.

The crash occurred less than two weeks before Election Day. Following Wellstone's death, former Vice President Walter Mondale accepted the Democratic candidacy. After a brief campaign, Republican Norm Coleman won the seat Wellstone had held for nearly 12 years.

On the day of the crash it was cloudy and cold. Crash investigators looked at the possibility icing on the wings contributed to the accident, but discounted that and focused instead on pilot Richard Conry, 55, and co-pilot Michael Guess, 30. Leslie MILLER (AP)

ARSON INVESTIGATION | UGLY REMINDER



WORDS AND ACTIONS: Bret Doan of the Terre Haute fire department lifts a tarp to expose the graffiti vandals left after a fire destroyed much of the Children of Auschwitz Nazi Deadly Experiments Survivors Museum in Terre Haute, Ind., on Tuesday. It refers to executed Oklahoma City bomber Timothy McVeigh.

Body Could Be Dean's Late Brother

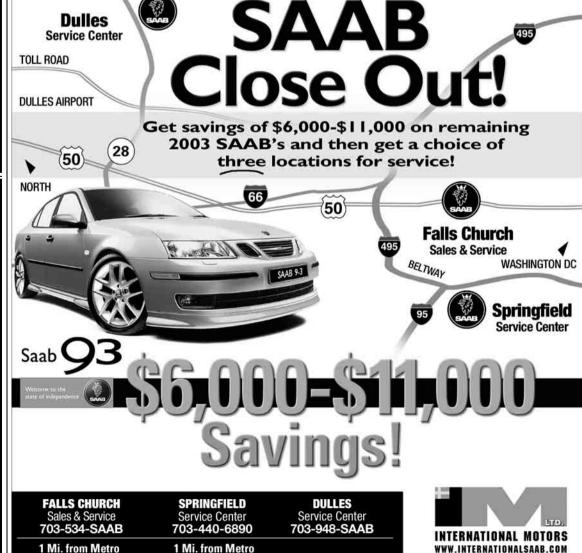
WASHINGTON | Democratic presidential candidate Howard Dean said Tuesday that the search for the long-lost remains of his younger brother may be over following the discovery of bones buried in a Laotian rice field earlier this month.

Charles Dean has been missing since 1974, when the 24-yearold was traveling through southeast Asia with a companion, Neil Sharman of Australia.

The two were arrested by the communist Pathet Lao on Sept. 4, 1974, during a trip down the Mekong River in Laos. They apparently were suspected of being spies, and were held in a remote prison camp for three months before they were believed to have been executed. NEDRA PICKLER (AP)







In Brief

Chretien to Retire on Dec. 12

Prime Minister Jean Chretien announced Tuesday he will step down on Dec. 12. Chretien, who turns 70 in January, previously said he would retire as prime minister by February 2004. His former finance minister, Paul Martin, was chosen leader of the governing Liberal Party last week and automatically becomes prime minister when Chretien leaves office. (AP)

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Lebanese Man With Alleged **Ties to Hezbollah Extradited**

Assad Ahmad Barakat, a Lebanese immigrant suspected of financing the Islamic militant group Hezbollah from a border region where Paraguay, Argentina and Brazil converge, has been extradited to Paraguay to face tax evasion charges, officials said Tuesday. The "Triple Border" area has been described by the U.S. State Department as a "focal point for Islamic extremism in Latin America." (AP)

BALKANS

Croatian Serb Leader Found Guilty at War-Crimes Trial

The U.N. war crimes tribunal issued an indictment Tuesday against former Croatian Serb leader Milan Babic on five counts of war crimes for a campaign of ethnic cleansing in parts of Croatia early in the Balkan wars. Babic, 47, is accused of seeking to drive ethnic Croats and other non-Serbs from parts of Croatia that prosecutors say he wanted to make into a "new Serbdominated state." He was joined in the plan by former Yugoslav leader Slobodan Milosevic, then the president of Serbia, the indictment said. If convicted, he could be sentenced to up to life imprisonment. (AP)

Police Arrest 11 With Alleged Ties to Basque Separatists

Police arrested 11 people Tuesday on suspicion of recruiting and intelligence-gathering for the armed Basque separatist group ETA, officials said. ETA, which stands for Basque Homeland and Freedom, has been fighting to create an independent Basque state since the 1960s. Its bombs and shootings have claimed more than 800 lives. (AP)

Brits Brace for Bush Visit

Anti-war protests expected throughout president's 3-day visit

LONDON | As police braced for massive demonstrations against the war in Iraq, President Bush opened a state visit with America's staunchest ally Tuesday, arguing that the use of force sometimes is the only way to defend important values.

Bush's three-day state visit comes at a time of mounting death tolls among coalition troops, fresh terror threats and widespread unhappiness among the British over Prime Minister Tony Blair's close support for Bush's Iraq policies.

The president and his wife, Laura, were greeted Tuesday evening at Heathrow Airport by Prince Charles. The Bushes then flew on a U.S. Marine helicopter to Buckingham Palace, where they were spending three nights as the guests of Queen Elizabeth II.

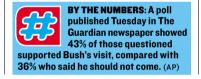
Hundreds turned out for the first of a number of planned protests on Tuesday, and London police prepared for larger ones over the next few days, including a march on Thursday past Parliament that organizers said could draw 100,000.



Anti-war protesters march through London on Tuesday. President Bush, who arrived in Britain Tuesday, will be Queen Elizabeth II's guest at Buckingham Palace.

In a speech on Wednesday, Bush will argue that war is sometimes necessary as a last choice, said a senior official traveling with him. "History has shown that there are times when countries must use force to defend the peace," Bush was to say.

Queen Elizabeth has met with each of the 11 American presidents who have served during her reign, beginning with Harry Truman in 1952. Bush's visit, however, was the first one to be dubbed a full-fledged "state visit" by the British, although then-President Reagan's 1982 visit had most of the trappings of one. (AP)



HEARSAY | BOOTSTRAPS

U.S. Mounts Air Attack in **Central Iraq**

Action in Bagouba targets insurgents and their hideouts

BAGHDAD, IRAQ | U.S. jets and helicopters launched the biggest air operation in central Iraq since active combat ended, blasting suspected ambush sites and hideouts with 500-pound bombs on Tuesday.

The air activity Tuesday was centered around Baqouba, 30 miles northeast of Baghdad. U.S. jets and Apache helicopter gunships blasted abandoned buildings, walls and trees along a road where attacks have been so common that troops nicknamed it "RPG Alley" after the rocket-propelled grenades used by insurgents.

The strategy appeared aimed at showing U.S. resolve as Washington prepares to hand over political power to an Iraqi provisional government by the end of June. However, the heavy hand risks further alienating Iraqis who are already chafing under foreign military occupation. Bassem MROUE (AP)

JAPAN | LONGEVITY



MOUSE IN TAILS: Minnie and Mickey Mouse are joined by Japanese fans at Tokyo Disneyland in Urayasu, east of Tokyo, on Tuesday. The king of Disney



characters made his screen debut in New York 75 years ago on Nov. 18, 1928.



"It is time for them to set a goal for becoming somewhat more self-reliant."

-U.S. SECRETARY OF DEFENSE DONALD H. RUMSFELD SPEAKING TO U.S. TROOPS AT OSAN AIR BASE IN SOUTH KOREA ON TUESDAY, RUMSFELD SAID THE UNITED STATES AND SOUTH KOREA BOTH AGREE THAT IT IS TIME FOR THE ECONOMICALLY VIBRANT ASIAN COUNTRY TO LESSEN ITS DEPENDENCE ON THE U.S. MILITARY

Officials Say Bombers Were Turkish

ISTANBUL | Turkish officials concluded Tuesday that two deadly synagogue bombings were carried out by Turkish militants inspired by - and perhaps working for — al Qaeda, fueling suspicions that Osama bin Laden's group has extended to NATO's only Muslim member.

An al Qaeda link would turn Turkey, a predominantly Muslim but secular nation, into a new front on the U.S.-led war on terror.

The role of local militants could embarrass the government of Prime Minister Recep Tayyip Erdogan, which has its roots in an Islamic fundamentalist party. The military, which sees itself as the defender of secularism in Turkey, has long been suspicious of the ruling party's efforts to raise the profile of Islam.

The six Jews who died in the blasts, which also killed 17 Muslims, were buried Tuesday. (AP)

WHO KNEW? All Russian men aged 18-27 are required to serve two years in the military, but most seek to avoid the army's miserable conditions through college deferments, health exemptions or bribes. (AP)

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World



Tourists walk past a display of U.S. soldiers at the War Remnants Museum in Ho Chi Minh City on Tuesday. No U.S. ships have sailed Vietnamese waters since the war.

U.S. Ship in Saigon Signals New Era

Navy frigate will be the first to dock in Vietnam in 30 years

HO CHI MINH CITY, VIETNAM | The USS Vandergrift will arrive in Saigon Port on Wednesday, underscoring the huge strides made by Vietnam and Washington in the 30 years since U.S. forces withdrew from a conflict that killed 3 million Vietnamese and 58,000 Americans. The last time an American ship was in Vietnam was during the war.

Bilateral ties between the former foes have been steadily expanding since diplomatic relations were established in 1995. Trade has boomed with the passage of a landmark agreement in 2001. But the only real progress in the area of military ties was the joint search for Americans listed as missing in action during the war.

That is changing, as reflected by last week's historic meeting between Vietnamese Defense Minister Pham Van Tra and Secretary of Defense Donald H. Rumsfeld, the first time a senior Vietnamese military official has visited Washington.

For both countries, these initial steps are necessary to overcome lingering suspicion, said Vietnamese historian and legislator Duong Trung Quoc. "Even though the two sides have been determined to put aside the past, in practice it won't be so simple," he said. TINI TRAN (AP)

Haiti Celebrates Its Past

But republic struggles with present-day issues

CAP-HAITIEN, HAITI | With a mixture of pride and sorrow over lost opportunities, Haitians marked the anniversary Tuesday of a decisive battle in which they defeated Napoleon's troops 200 years ago, leading to the creation of the world's first black republic.

"The traces of slavery are still here," President Jean-Bertrand Aristide told a crowd of more than 10,000 people, speaking on the bicentennial of the Battle of Vertieres, the world's only successful slave rebellion. Aristide is struggling to liberate the nation of 8 million from worsening poverty and despair while his opponents call for his downfall, saying he is becoming a dictator.

Absent from the festivities were ambassadors from France, the United States and the European Union, who were protesting Aristide's failure to stop his partisans from blocking a demonstration in Port-au-Prince on Friday by civic groups demanding reform. (AP)

Money

In Brief

WALL STREET

NYSE Members Approve Smaller, Independent Board

The New York Stock Exchange's members voted to install a new independent board of six to 12 directors — down from 27 — and a separate executive panel of the securities industry aimed at minimizing conflicts of interest and potential

investor abuses, the exchange said Tuesday, citing preliminary results. Votes are expected to be certified on Wednesday. Federal regulators still must approve the measure. (AP)

LAW

Martha Stewart Loses Bid To Dismiss 2 Charges

A federal judge on Tuesday declined to slice two charges off the indictment of Martha Stewart, including one that accuses her of deceiving her own shareholders by publicly declaring her innocence. Stewart, 62, will now face all five charges in

connection with her 2001 sale of ImClone stock. Prosecutors contend she was tipped off that the family of ImClone's founder was trying to sell its shares. A



Stewart

negative government report the next day sent shares tumbling, (AP)

Drug Cos. Relieved By Medicare Bill

NEW YORK | The Medicare bill intended to give 41 million Americans prescription drug coverage would be a boon to the health industry not just for what's included but what isn't: price controls and legalization of importing drugs from Canada.

Those had been the big fear of pharmaceutical executives, and their support was considered crucial because adding a drug benefit is the centerpiece of the legislation.

"This is like a Christmas present for the health-care industry," said Ira Loss, executive vice president of Washington Analysis, which conducts research for institutional investors.

But it may not be a gift that keeps on giving. The government faces an exploding deficit and analysts said additional payments to hospitals, insurers and doctors in the bill could eventually be cut.

Analysts said that although drug companies are unlikely to make any significant profit because new customers are likely to be offset by the discounts on medicines, the industry breathed a sign of relief.

"This was a psychological victory," said Lehman Brothers analyst Tony Butler. Theresa agovino (AP)

Market Action

New York Stock Exchange

NASDAQ Stock Market

Gainers				Gainers			
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LongDrg	24.12	+2.23	+10.2	Omtool rs	7.84	+1.55	+24.6
GlobTAp	9.25	+.85	+10.1	Synaloy	7.98	+1.23	+18.2
Lubys	3.51	+.32	+10.0	NewFrnt	8.00	+1.04	+14.9
HeclaM	7.36	+.66	+9.9	Novatel	9.24	+1.19	+14.8
Losers				Losers			
JoAnnStrs	20.07	-4.55	-18.5	Dai Ei rs	3.15	75	-19.2
Friedmans	6.04	-1.34	-18.2	MTI Tch	2.26	48	-17.5
ElPasoCp	6.13	55	-8.2	Gadzooks	5.30	95	-15.2
Apria	28.07	-2.44	-8.0	WJ Com	4.01	72	-15.2
LeapFrog	30.58	-2.55	-7.7	AlliFibO	2.08	37	-15.1

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Fed Funds close	1.00	1.00	Canadian Dollar	1.2987	1.3121	1.5899
3-month	0.94	0.93	European Euro	.8372	.8499	.9918
2-year	1.77	1.85	Japanese Yen	108.04	108.95	121.14
10-year	4.14	4.30	Mexican Peso	11.2190	11.1470	10.1510
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CoxCom	33.80	53	+19.0		
Disney	22.52	51	+38.1		
Fox Ent	28.60	15	+10.3		
Gannett	84.82	+.30	+18.1		
GM H	15.83	+.22	+47.9		
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LibtyMA	10.15	12	+13.5		
LibtyMB	10.44	03	+13.5		
NewsCorp	34.28	07	+30.6		
Thomson	32.78	+.26	+22.6		
Viacom	37.08	91	-9.1		
ViacomB	37.00	89	-9.2		

High-Tech Jobs May Soon Rebound

SAN FRANCISCO | Although 540,000 high-tech jobs nationwide were wiped out in 2002 and employers are on pace to lay off another 234,000 workers this year, the meltdown appears to be in its final stages, according to a report to be released Wednesday.

The report by trade group AeA depicted this year's smaller purge of the work force as an encouraging sign. With the improving economy, the high-tech industry should begin adding jobs during the spring, said William Archey, the AeA's president and chief executive officer. (AP)

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Malvo: 'I Intended To Kill Them All'

CHESAPEAKE, VA | Sniper suspect | Lee Boyd Malvo told police he was the triggerman in all of the Washington, D.C.-area shootings and says on an audiotape played Tuesday during his trial that he planned "to kill them all."

When a police officer asks Malvo whether he squeezed the trigger in all the shootings, Malvo first responds, "Basically, yeah."

Samuel Walker, a detective with the Prince William County police department, also asks Malvo during the interrogation whether he intended to kill all the victims. Ten people were slain and three were wounded during the spree in October 2002.

"I intended to kill them all,"

says Malvo, who was 17 during the spree.

Walker also focused specifically on the shooting of Dean Harold Meyers, eliciting through a series of questions that Malvo fatally shot Meyers in the head because Meyers was standing sideways.

A little more than an hour of the tape was played for jurors, who were given transcripts because the sound quality was poor and Malvo's voice was soft. Malvo, 18, is charged with the Oct. 14, 2002, slaying of FBI analyst Linda Franklin outside a Home Depot in Fairfax County.

Taking aim: The state continues to make its case against Lee Boyd Malvo | washingtonpost.com/metro

EXHIBIT | ... ON THE HEAD



TIMBER: Brent Glass, director of the Smithsonian National Museum of American History, left, Transportation Secretary Norman Mineta, center, and Lawrence Small, secretary of the Smithsonian, try to pound the ceremonial gold spike as it fell during the opening of "On the Move," a transportation exhibit.

Warner Will Call Special Session if Needed

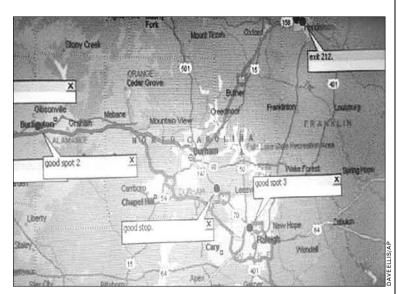
RICHMOND, VA.| If lawmakers can't agree on a package of state and local tax reforms by the time the General Assembly adjourns next March, they will be called back to Richmond to finish the job, Gov. Mark R. Warner said Tuesday.

Without reforming a tax structure that dates to World War I, the state faces annual budget shortfalls at least through the end of the decade even if revenue continues

to grow modestly, Warner said on his monthly radio show on WTOP in Washington, D.C.

"That's a structural imbalance that we have to deal with. There'll be a great deal of debate about this, but this will be something we will debate from November, December, January, February, March and if the legislature needs to stay 'til summertime, I'm going to keep them," he said. BOB LEWIS (AP)

Region



A map is displayed on a screen during the penalty phase of John Allen Muhammad's trial in Va. Beach. It shows sites Muhammad allegedly had targeted in North Carolina.

Maps Show Wide Range Of Muhammad's Targets

CHESAPEAKE, VA. | In Virginia Beach on Tuesday, prosecutors trying to win a death sentence against Muhammad said a map in a laptop computer found in Muhammad's car show he planned further killings over a wide swath if he had not been caught.

The map appears to show more than two dozen locations, stretching south to Raleigh, N.C., with markings such as "good spot" and "good stop."

The northernmost spots included Hagerstown, Md., and Martinsburg, W.Va. — each marked with the note "good spot," said FBI computer expert John Hair.

Several marks were in southeastern Virginia, the area where both trials were moved to escape the zone of fear created by the sniper shootings. Another map also listed three elementary schools in Prince George's County, Md. — the same county where 13-year-old Iran Brown was shot outside a middle school on Oct. 7, 2002.

A Prince William jail supervisor, Roderick Osborne, testified that Muhammad made what prosecutors described as an aborted escape attempt in March.

The supervisor said he had received unspecified information from another inmate about Muhammad's plans. The officer said he then saw Muhammad, who initially had been out of view, pressed up to the side of a door that leads to a common area. Muhammad was supposed to have been in his cell at the time.

Muhammad was not wearing any clothes, only a sheet wrapped around his waist. The supervisor told Muhammad not to move. Muhammad was subsequently moved to solitary confinement, the officer said. SONJA BARISIC (AP)

D.C. School Principal Arrested for Assault

WASHINGTON | A principal at a Northeast Washington public charter school was held without bond Tuesday in Fairfax County, Va., where authorities accused him of repeatedly sexually assaulting a young boy.

According to county police, Desmond Kirk Pierre-Louis, 45, had served as a City of Alexandria respite foster parent when the alleged attacks took place between May and December of 2000. The boy - who was 14 at the time — spent several weekends at Pierre-Louis's home. Investigators said the boy came to them in August 2002.

Police arrested Pierre-Louis Monday and charged him with forcible sodomy, aggravated sexual battery and indecent liberties with a minor. Pierre-Louis is one of the principals at the Village Learning Center. (AP)





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Sports

Second Place At Stake

Maryland has designs on Gator Bowl with strong finish to season

COLLEGE FOOTBALL | Last Saturday, Florida State defeated North Carolina State 50-44 in overtime to wrap up the Atlantic Coast Conference regular season title.

This Saturday, Maryland (7-3, 4-2 ACC) will try to beat the Wolfpack to nail down second place.

Had Florida State lost last week, the door would have been open for the Terrapins to grab a share of the conference title. Now Maryland must win its last two games to ensure a second-place finish.

The ACC runner-up is likely to land in the Gator Bowl in Jacksonville, Fla. on New Year's Day. The Peach Bowl in Atlanta Jan. 2 is also possible.

A bowl appearance of any kind would be the program's third in three years under Friedgen. Maryland hasn't made three straight bowl trips since the mid-1980s. Still, there has been some lingering disappointment over missing a chance to compete for the league title. (AP)

Fridge TV: A former Maryland player has a Web site with unparalleled access to coach Ralph Friedgen | Today's Post, Sports



The Giants' Barry Bonds, seen here during a June 24 game, has hit over 500 home runs and stolen 500 bases in his career.

Bonds Wins His Sixth MVP Award

PRO BASEBALL | Barry Bonds won his record sixth National League MVP award Tuesday, becoming the first player to get the honor in three consecutive years.

The San Francisco outfielder, the only player to win an MVP award more than three times, received 28 of 32 first-place votes and 426 points in balloting by the Baseball Writers' Association of America.

Bonds had a difficult season in which his father, Bobby, died in August. Still, Bonds hit .341 with 45 homers and 90 RBIs, leading the major leagues in slugging percentage (.749), on-base percentage (.529) and walks.

"This award is more special to me than any award I've ever received because it's dedicated to my father," Bonds said during a conference call. St. Louis outfielder Albert Pujols was second with three first-place votes and 303 points.

At 39 years, 3 1/2 months, Bonds is the second-oldest MVP, trailing Pittsburgh's Willie Stargell.

Among the four major North American professional sports, only the NHL's Wayne Gretzky has more MVP awards, with nine.

The NBA's Kareem Abdul-Jabbar also won six MVPs. RONALD BLUM (AP)

In Brief

KOBE BRYANT CASE

Sex Crimes-Specialist Joins Bryant Prosecution Team

The team of prosecutors working on the sexual assault case against Kobe Bryant is growing. The Jefferson County district attorney has agreed to let Dana Easter help his counterpart in Eagle County work on the case. Easter, a former nurse, specializes in crimes against children and sex crimes. (AP)

PRO FOOTBALL

Bucs Deactivate Johnson

Tampa Bay star receiver Keyshawn Johnson was deactivated for the rest of the season Tuesday, and the

two-time Pro Bowl selection has likely played his last game for the Buccaneers. Johnson, who is midway through a \$56 million contract that included



Johnson

a \$13 million signing bonus, has been unhappy with his role in coach Jon Gruden's offense during a disappointing 4-6 start for the defending Super Bowl champions. (AP)

PRO BASKETBALL

Magic Fires Rivers as Coach

Doc Rivers was fired as coach of the Orlando Magic, off to its worst start in its 15-year history. Rivers said general manager John Gabriel informed him of the decision Monday night in a meeting at the team hotel after Orlando lost to Utah 90-88. The Magic won its season opener but then lost 10 straight games, the NBA's worst record this season. Assistant coach Johnny Davis will take over for Rivers. (AP)

No Bias: Michael Wilbon speculates what could have been had Len Bias not died in 1986 | Today's Post, Sports

Study: I Concussion May Lead to Others

FOOTBALL | College football players who suffer concussions are left prone to another one, especially if they return to action too soon, and they also become slower to recover from such blows to the head, researchers say.

The research supports guidelines that say athletes who have had a concussion should wait seven days after symptoms disappear to get back in the game.

The findings suggest that one concussion might cause tissue injury that leaves players more vulnerable to additional concussions, said Kevin Guskiewicz, director of the sports medicine research laboratory at the University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill. Guskiewicz helped conduct both studies, which were funded in part by the National Collegiate Athletic Association. (AP)

Capitals Buried by Dismal Beginning

PRO HOCKEY | The Washington Capitals are at the bottom of the NHL standings, a start so embarrassing that coaches and players are re-examining how they look at the season.

"We've never been this low," fifth-year center Jeff Halpern said Tuesday. Those type of words are usually uttered in March by a team that's been mathematically eliminated from the playoffs, but the Capitals (5-12-1) have started so slow they might be accused of getting a head start on next year's lockout.

One would expect that the players would show up for an inspired



Defender Brendan Witt skates away after Ottawa beats Washington on Oct. 23.

practice Tuesday, having had two days off following Sunday's victory over division rival Carolina. Nope. The players didn't respond to head coach Bruce Cassidy's plan to work on defense and build on the positives, so he sent them through a punishing conditioning regimen instead.

"We switched gears because we didn't seem to have a lot of focus," Cassidy said.

The Capitals are inexperienced on defense. Talented forwards Jaromir Jagr and Peter Bondra aren't scoring. Goaltender Olaf Kolzig, the team's best player and emotional leader, has had a few off nights. Only Robert Lang, who has 10 goals and 13 assists, can escape any blame for the dismal run. Joseph white (AP)

III. Coach Who Made Deal for Record Resigns

PREP FOOTBALL | An Illinois high school football coach who made a deal with the opposing team to allow his quarterback to complete a record-setting pass has resigned.

Southeast High coach Neal Taylor made a deal with coach Antwyne Golliday of Cahokia High near the end of a game Oct. 25: Cahokia would be allowed to score again, and then Southeast quarterback Nate Haasis would meet no resistance on the pass, which gave him 5,006 yards for his career.

Haasis later disowned the record, saying it was tainted. (AP)

Today's TV Lineup

PRO BASKETBALL (7 p.m. on Comcast) The Washington Wizards try to avenge a loss earlier in the season to the Cleveland Cavaliers.

PRO BASKETBALI (9 p.m. on ESPN) Chauncey Billups is averaging 20.6 points a game for the Detroit Pistons, who play the Memphis Grizzlies.

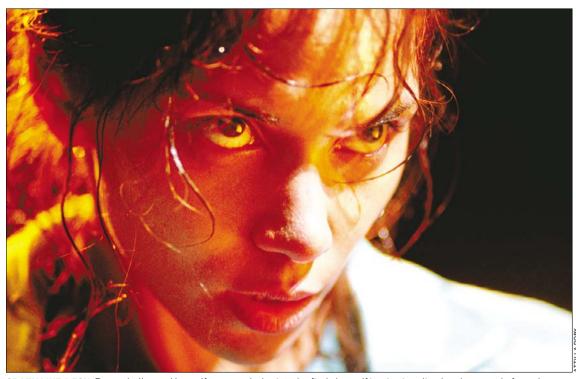
COLLEGE BASKETBALL (7 p.m. on ESPN)

Nevada visits Connecticut in a second round game of the Preseason NIT.

COLLEGEBASKETBALL (10:30 p.m. on ESPN2)
Minnesota and Utah play in a second round
game of the Preseason NIT.

college Football (7:30 p.m. on ESPN2) Mid-American Conference rivals Marshall and Central Florida play on national television.

Entertainment



CRAZY LIKE A FOX: Berry challenged herself as a psychologist who finds herself institutionalized and accused of murder.

Berry, Scary

An actress with a taste for the extreme goes one step further

PERSONALITY | Oscar-winning actress Halle Berry turns scream queen this week with her starring role in "Gothika," a spine-chilling yarn about a criminal psychologist

who winds up an inmate at the asylum where she works. Berry says she wanted to do "Gothika" because she'd never done a horror movie before.

"Every movie I do, I realize that I learn something new about what I can and can't do," she says.

As Dr. Miranda Grey, Berry spends much of the film scream-

ing, running down corridors, scaling fences, hiding at the bottom of a swimming pool and fighting off orderlies and doctors trying to subdue her.

Getting into that zone was draining for Berry, but the scariest moment on the set was when she broke her right arm while shooting a scene with Robert Downey Jr. "I knew I'd broken it because I heard it," the 37-year-old Berry recalls. "I just lost it then. I was really screaming in pain."

With its star out of commission, the production shut down for six weeks. Downey, whose battles with drug addiction are well known, darkly jokes that he was glad he was sober when the accident happened, otherwise the guilt would have been overwhelming.

Like her character, Berry reveals she too has had a supernatural encounter. During the filming of "Introducing Dorothy Dandridge" Berry says Dandridge's ghost visited her and a friend one night after she was entrusted with a dress of Dandridge's, which Berry covered in plastic and hung in her den.

She relates the tale like a Girl Scout on a camping trip: "One night, we were sitting at home drinking and we heard something rustling in the other room.

"So both of us, just like in a movie, went creeping around the corner and the wrapper on the dress was rattling — no kidding — by itself. My friend and I both hauled ass out of there so fast!"

More recently, Berry experienced another trauma when her three-year marriage to singer Eric Benet came to an unhappy end. Berry isn't keen to talk specifics. Instead, the Cleveland-born actress is taking the high road.

"I'm learning to be happy no matter what's happening," she says. "You can be happy even in your down moments. I'm happy. I'm alive. I'm healthy." ANGELA DAWSON (ENTERTAINMENT NEWS WIRE)

as played by chamber-music hip-

sters Kronos Quartet is a portrait

of a romantic nervous breakdown; it's based on an affair between

the married Berg and the wife

of a Prague industrialist in the

spring of 1925. It is Berg's "Age of

Innocence" - all lust, tears and



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Blast From the Past: Brains on Tap

A legend arises and stalks the stage once more: Meet Soul Brains, known to you and yours as what used to be Bad Brains, the thrashingest punk-reaggae outfit in the world, never mind D.C. With Murphy's Law and Red Tape.

9:30 Club, 815 V St. NW; \$20; 703-218-6500. (U St.-Cardozo)

You Spin Me Round: Oakenfold at Nation

Paul Oakenfold is perhaps the most crucial DJ around. Not just a remixer or turntable-twiddler, Oakenfold has changed both the sound and the perception of breakbeat-driven trance; he's also the guy who turned Ibiza from a sleepy Spanish resort into an international ongoing rave. He's spinning for locals on this special added stop of his U.S. tour, so wear comfortable shoes.

Nation, 1050 Half St. SE; 9 p.m.; \$20; 202-554-1500. (Navy Yard)



The DJ tries various techniques to get the right sound for a Madonna remix.

Days of Wine: The Nouveau Nouveaux

You pays your money, you takes your choice — pick the restaurant and choose from among a bevy of young, garnet-hued beauties at two beaujolais nouveau tastings. The young French red wines go with everything from pumpkin soup to turkey hash.

Bistrot du Coin, 1738 Connecticut Ave. NW; 10:30 p.m., free; 202-234-6969. (Dupont Circle)

Les Halles, 1201 Pennsylvania Ave. NW; midnight, free; 202-347-6848. (Archives-Navy Memorial)

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Breaking Up & Blowing Up

MUSIC | The "Three Tales" (Nonesuch) of Steve Reich's title involve the disastrous 1937 zeppelin explosion over Lakehurst, N.J., the atomic bomb tests conducted at Bikini Atoll from 1946 until 1954, and the cloning of a sheep in Scotland.

The pieces are titled "Hindenburg," "Bikini" and "Dolly" and in them the composer skillfully and poignantly interweaves the historic, the jumpy and the spoken-word.

Juxtaposing these events, narrating them with live-wire music, affects the material in psychologi-



CHAMBER MUSIC OF SECRETS: Members of Kronos Quartet warm the benches.

cally haunting ways. The companion DVD, by the video artist Beryl Korot, is droll and explosive and, in "Dolly," gives MTV a run for its sensation-rich money.

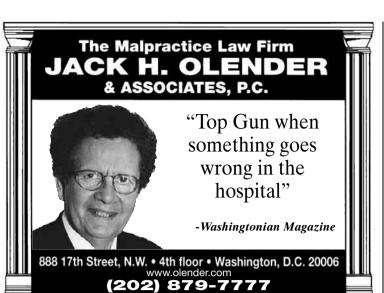
Composer Alban Berg wrote like Mahler on speed. The elements of his writing are eccentric and full of uneasy confluences.

His "Lyric Suite" (Nonesuch)

Kronos Quartet does not emphasize Berg's flightiness or the piece's sense of emotional suffocation. The musicians — and singer Dawn Upshaw, who sails through the soprano part — instead tap Berg's exhilarating navigability.

social foreclosure.

It's as if, for these musicians, romantic dislocation can occur while wearing sensible shoes. James Hunter





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Entertainment



THE BRAIDY BUNCH: Korn is no longer green, but a fully ripened hip-hop-influenced metal outfit ready for its close-up.

Korn in Clover Again

The rap-metal band roars back into action

MUSIC | While Korn's 2002 album, "Untouchables," earned the hard-rock outfit a Grammy Award for best metal performance, the experimental set drew more than the usual share of ire from critics.

But bassist Fieldy takes it in stride. "I think every record we've ever put out, there has always been bad criticism," he says. "Most of those people that are criticizing, they can't even tune a guitar."

Even so, the band is anticipating a hungry marketplace for "Take a Look in the Mirror," to be released Nov. 25 on Immortal/Epic.

"This is probably the heaviest record we've put out," Fieldy notes, adding with certainty, "I think everybody's parents will hate it, so we did a good job."

"Mirror" will contain a dozen or more songs, and it will be packaged with a DVD of Korn footage. The album is also the band's first self-produced project. Davis has a separate production credit because he, as Fieldy puts it, "did all the no-glory work" in bringing the set together.

As on previous albums, Davis drew from his personal demons when writing the lyrics. Of current single "Right Now" he says, "That was me waking up pissed off at everyone. I think everyone's just had those days where you hate people."

Korn wields a strong influence among musicians. Because of its style — using seven-stringed guitars and five-stringed basses, and downtuning their instruments — music-instruction magazines often query the band for insight.

The band's taste also sways consumers. After noticing Davis's penchant for track suits in the late '90s Adidas, and then Puma, supplied Korn with such merchandise. But now the act owns a stake in Pony, and Pony-designed Korn clothing and accessories are available on its

Korn's edgier image doesn't appeal to some of the more traditional sponsors. But it does present opportunities for left-of-center interests. This summer, Davis procured touring sponsorship with adult-entertainment company Jill Kelly Productions, which wrapped his tour bus in pictures of bikini-clad women. Christa titus (BILLBOARD)

TopStops

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Love and Laboor: NGA Talk

The Embassy of France hosts an evening as lyrical and sparkling as its subject. National Gallery of Art curator Philip Conisbee discusses (and

shows, via slides) the art currently on display in the NGA's "The Age of Watteau, Chardin and Fragonard" show and the shifting sands of 18th-century culture that gave rise to innovative, intimate French genre painting. A ballroom reception with wine and sweets will take place after the lecture.

Embassy of France, La Maison Francaise, 4101 Reservoir Road NW; \$55, 6:30 p.m.; 202-357-3030 or www.residentassociates.com.



Antoine Watteau's "Mezzetin" (1718-1720), silken glory in shining pastels.

Entertainmen

SWEET REVENGE

LAW & ORDER (10 p.m., NBC) Tonight's episode of the venerable cops & lawyers show doesn't just tear its story from the headlines — it tears into a disgraced headline-maker.

After a nightclub shooting, Briscoe and Green discover that the intended murder victim was a journalist recently expelled from Iraq for disclosing information that put troops in danger. And ballistic reports quickly link the shooting to soldiers with whom the chatty newshound had been "embedded."

This story is clearly inspired by Geraldo Rivera's recent travails. The Fox News correspondent was kicked out of Iraq last April for spilling key secrets. Rivera responded with bombast and paranoia, blaming "rats at my former network" (NBC) for his woes. It looks like the rats are shooting back.

NO THANKS. WE'RE STUFFED

THE BACHELOR (9 p.m., ABC) Die-hard fans of Bachelor Bob will have to sit through two hours of orchestrated tension as Bob decides between the spunky Kelly Jo and Estella, the Beverly Hills real-estate agent.

For what it's worth, I'd bet on Kelly Jo, the gal from Kalamazoo. She and Bob share a Michigan address and a casual. Midwestern vibe. Her relative youth is a perfect complement to Bob's Peter Panlike approach to settling down. For masochist fans who just can't get enough. ABC will milk another hour out of Bob on the special "The Bachelor: After the Final Rose" tomorrow night.



MacLaine, dolled up, teased up and revved up as makeup maven Mary Kay.

ONCE AGAIN, THE TURKEY **OUT-ACTS MARISSA**

THE O.C. (9 p.m., Fox) Seth faces a Thanksgiving dilemma — Summer or Anna? — as the Coopers and Rachel descend on the Cohens.

CHILT CHOICE

HELL ON HEELS: THE BATTLE OF MARY KAY

(9 p.m., Lifetime) Shirley MacLaine and Parker Posey camp it up in this 2002 TV biography of the flambovant makeup queen, set in the competitive door-todoor cosmetics market, кеуім моромойдн (UNITED FEATURE SYNDICATE)



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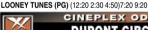
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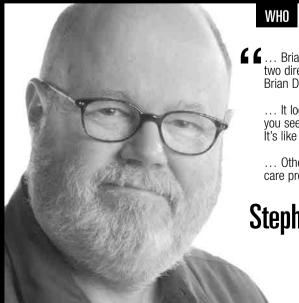
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IT CLEANS UP WELL: A gas-electric Lexus RX 330 SUV is expected in the spring, the first of several hybrid trucks on their way.

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DRIVING GREEN | They might still block your view ahead or flatten your subcompact in an accident, but there are SUVs and pickups on the way that will burn less gasoline.

"Hybrid" gasoline-electric powertrains, available now in some cars, will be making some trucks environmentally friendlier and fuel stingier.

Although the U.S. Big Three are lagging behind the Japanese in hybrid development, market researchers J.D. Power and

Associates estimated recently that 18 hybrid-powered trucks and 10 car models will be in showrooms by 2008, compared with just three cars now — the Toyota Prius and Honda Insight and Civic Hybrid.

Power forecasts a total of about 350,000 hybrid-powered cars and trucks to be sold in 2008, up from about 40,000 this year.

First up among the hybrid-powered trucks is expected to be a version of the Lexus RX 330 SUV, due to go on sale in the spring. Sometime later, Toyota dealers probably will

get a gas/electric version of the RX's sister vehicle, the Highlander SUV. Industry trade papers say there also is a hybrid Sienna minivan in the works. Toyota hasn't provided much detail about the hybrid RX, but the company is promising that it will have the power of a V-8 engine.

Ford has promised a hybridpowered version of the Escape SUV, though that has been delayed from late this year until late next summer by technical issues. Ford says the vehicle will get 35 to 40 mpg in city driving, almost twice as much as a conventional four-cylinder Escape.

General Motors has announced plans for hybrid-powered versions of its Chevrolet Silverado and GMC full-size pickups by the end of this year for fleet customers and next year for retail customers. They'll get 10 to 12 percent better fuel economy than conventional models, the carmaker says.

GM also plans to offer hybrid versions of the Saturn Vue SUV beginning in 2006, the Chevrolet Equinox SUV beginning in 2006, and the Chevrolet Tahoe and GMC Yukon SUVs beginning in 2007. GM also is experimenting with hybrid powertrains for transit buses.

DaimlerChrysler says it plans to offer an optional hybrid powertrain for its Dodge Ram full-size pickup starting sometime next year, as a 2005 model.

Both here and abroad, there's growing pressure on automakers to improve truck fuel economy. In the United States, the popularity of pickups, SUVs, vans and larger cars has depressed the average fuel economy of new cars and light trucks to its lowest point since 1980, less than 25 mpg.

A recent Roper ASW report, based on interviews with people it calls "influentials" or opinion leaders, found that 23 percent have an SUV in the driveway but that 95 percent want greater fuel efficiency and 84 percent are aware of hybrid powertrains and their benefits.



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What do you think about the new Suzuki Verona? Compared to the Toyota Camry and the Dodge Stratus, is it my best buy?

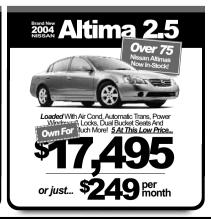
In dollars and cents, yes. As far as longevity and reliability, probably not, though that can only be determined over time. Historically, Suzuki has built reasonably reliable vehicles. I wouldn't be afraid of the Verona, but I would expect slightly more minor problems.



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A Rising Freestar

ROAD TEST | Although many have been replaced in recent years by sexier sport utility vehicles, there's nothing like a van when there's serious hauling to be done.

And, while minivans may have permanently passed their heyday, enough still are sold each year for manufacturers to spend money continuously improving them to stay competitive.

For 2004, it was the Ford Windstar's turn. Renamed Freestar to underscore some significant changes, it's more competitive with the leaders of the minivan pack — the Toyota Sienna and Honda Odyssey.

A third-row seat now folds flat into the floor, as in the Honda and Toyota. A redesign of the interior also added storage space and an optional side curtain air bag system that covers all three rows and deploys if it senses a rollover.

There's a new suspension, too, though Ford has kept it tuned for comfort rather than handling. This vehicle will take speed bumps with barely a bounce or shudder, but a bit more suspension firmness would be appreciated at highway speeds.

Two engines are offered for '04. Less expensive models of the Freestar come with a 193-hp., 3.9-



KINDA EXTREME MAKEOVER: The Ford Freestar wants you to forget the Windstar.

liter V-6, which produces its horsepower lower on the tachometer than its predecessor and delivers eight more pounds-feet of torque. More expensive models have a new 4.2liter V-6 rated at 202 hp. and 267 pounds-feet of torque. That's adequate for a vehicle weighing almost 4,300 pounds empty.

The Freestar styling is noncontroversial except that the inside front door panels rise above the outside door panels, as if designed by two people who didn't talk to each other.

The expected minivan features are available, including power sliding doors and cupholders galore. The

little convex mirror that folds down from the overhead console is a nice touch, allowing a parent to monitor the behavior of kids in back.

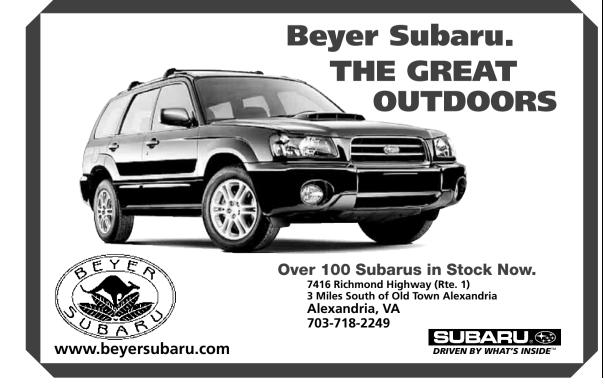
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Losing Points

Do vanishing guest incentives foretell the end of bargains?

BARGAINS | These last two years have been good ones for penny-pinching vacationers. But there are signs that the strapped providers of hotel beds are losing patience with the cheap Charlies who erode their bottom lines. They're fighting back by handing out hassles to low rollers and giving perks to loyal, high-paying customers.

First it was Hilton, which this summer began denving frequentguest points for room stays booked on third-party Internet sites. Rooms booked on the company's site, www.hilton.com or those of its brands, or by phone or travel agents still earn points.

Then Starwood said that, starting Jan. 1, its frequent guests couldn't redeem points for upgrades or other perks during stays booked through third-party sites.

Such efforts are aimed at driving consumers to the company's Web site, which is cheaper to staff than



Hilton denies frequent-guest points to those who book on non-Hilton sites.

phone service and permits the company to pocket the markups that go to Internet sellers, gather marketing data on customers and discourage shopping for lower rates.

These "new" initiatives by hotels hark back to an old-fashioned truism: You get what you pay for, i.e. no more VIP treatment while paying \$89 for a five-star room. JANE ENGLE (L.A. TIMES)

TRAVEL TALK

Live Online

The Washington Post travel staff, aka THE FLIGHT CREW, takes queries and comments at washingtonpost.com/ liveonline every Monday at 2 p.m.

I recently had my first experience with the Washington Flyer taxi service. During the 45-minute wait for cabs the discussion in the line turned to the origin of the Washington Flyer monopoly at Dulles. Can you enlighten us?

A pure and simple money grab by the Metropolitan Washington Airport Authority, as we understand it. By granting exclusive rights to one taxi company - and demanding a big fee in exchange the airport gets a cut of the taxi cash. BWI offers the same rip-off. For better service, go to National, where a free market of taxis is always queued up.



Wrangling would-be taxi passengers.

I'm going on a two-week vacation to New Zealand in a couple of weeks. Are there any airline restrictions on putting a smaller suitcase inside of a larger suitcase in order to bring back all the goodies I find?

You can put your smaller suitcase inside a larger one for the trip down, as long as you don't exceed the weight requirements. But have you considered buying one of those collapsible bags that fold up into nothing, then expand when you need them? Might be a lot easier.

I'm looking for places to stop on the drive from D.C. to Ft. Lauderdale. We have to be in Florida by New Year's Eve, but I decided it might be fun to make the journey south into a roadtrip vacation.

Wilmington, N.C., St. Simons Island, Ga., and maybe Florida's Space Coast, for starters.

In Brief

NUPTIALS

Eat, Drink and Be Married

New Orleans would like to be the Las Vegas of the South when it comes to weddings. A new law lets non-Louisiana residents get married without the three-day wait required by state law. The city's marriage licensing office is also now open on weekends. Couples can fly in Friday night, get a license on Saturday, spend the weekend celebrating in New Orleans and go home married. (AP)

HOLIDAY TRAVEL

They Stand in Line So You Don't Have to

To help you find out what's happening before you get to the gate for your Thanksgiving flight, Travelocity will have "spotters" stationed at 25 of the nation's busiest airports.

The airport watchers will moni-

tor travel delays, airport check-in wait times, security lines, parking and traffic from major thoroughfares to the airports. The information will be posted on www.travelocity.com from 7 a.m. to 7 p.m. on Wednesday, Nov. 26, and Sunday, Nov. 30, which are traditionally

> the year. Airports on the Travelocity list are: Atlanta, Baltimore, Boston, Chicago (O'Hare and Midway), Cleveland, Dallas-Fort Worth,

the two busiest travel days of

Denver, Detroit, Houston, Los Angeles, Miami, Minneapolis, New York (Kennedy and La Guardia), Newark, Orlando, Philadelphia, Phoenix, Pittsburgh, San Francisco, San Jose, Seattle, Washington (Dulles and

National). (AP)

Playback

Letters

TO THE EDITOR

I AM TIRED of reading riders' complaints about the Metro system. The Metro requires money to address these problems, yet when it increases fares, people have a fit. Why don't we all try to be more realistic when contemplating these issues? If you don't like it, consider the alternative: driving. But then you would have to deal with rush-hour traffic and parking. Or maybe you don't own a car.

People, unless you start talking solutions, please stop talking problems. I am a grateful Metro rider and I commend the service that I receive daily.

> -KIM ROBEY Alexandria, Va.

WHILE RIDING the Metro in the past few weeks, it has been interesting to watch other passengers read Express - and to read it occasionally myself. However, I have been dismayed that people who rarely left other litter in the Metro cars seem more free to leave Express lying around. Readers should carry Express out when they leave the Metro.

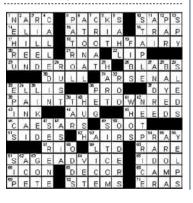
> -Margaret Sullivan Alexandria, Va.

EDITOR'S NOTE: We couldn't agree more. When you finish reading your copy of Express, please don't litter. Place it in a recycling bin or pass it on to a friend.

WRITE TO EXPRESS

Letters must include the writer's name. address and telephone number. Submissions may be edited for space. E-mail to inbox@readexpress.com or mail to Express Letters, PO Box 17370, Arlington, VA 22216.

Yesterday's Solutions



Crossword Puzzle: Fowl Play | *Edited by Timothy E. Parker*

ACROSS

- 1 Word with slicker
- 5 Lunatic. often
- 10 "C.S.I.: Miami"
- 13 Home land
- 14 Style of dress 15 NL stadium
- 16 Show of fear
- 18 Rhythmic tune
- 19 Wrap up
- 20 Put below
- 21 Really cold drip 23 Mulligan, e.g.
- 24 Gave under pressure
- 25 Choice word
- 28 Evening bash
- 29 More on target
- 30 Water down
- 31 Social climber
- 34 Swabbie
- 35 Oft-quoted words 38 Slender figure?
- 39 Symbol of enduring
- 41 Dosyuno 42 Peaceful period
- 44 Spring time?
- 46 Rug-cleaning device
- 49 Hawk's home (Var.)
- 50 "Citizen Kane" actor
- 51 May or Capri
- 52 Copycat
- 55 Tortoise's race rival 56 Like Donald and
- Daffy, among others 59 High collar
- 61 Citizen's privilege
- 62 Out-of-service plane
- 63 Pop 64 "I hope so!"
 - DOWN
 - 1 Teller's work site
 - 2 Briefcase or
 - recycling bin, e.g.
 - 4 Encouraging word
- 5 High beam?
- 6 Concede
- 7 Opinion
- 8 Ninny uses three
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- 10 Show a vellow stripe

- 15 Canned peaches.
- 17 Chemical
- compounds
- 22 One for the road? 23 Ship's designation
- 24 Invents a new word
- 25 James of jazz
- 26 It abuts Armenia
- 27 Ragtime one-step
- 28 More reluctant 30 British wheels
- 32 Yestervear 33 Tankard filler
- 36 Satin on
- 37 Three-dimensional
- photography 40 Get a move on
- 43 Shaft of light
- 45 From Utica to NYC 46 Bats' hangout?
- 47 Causes for
- complaints
- 48 Gravy holders
- 49 Showed curiosity 51 Kind of tea or coffee
- 52 Smasher input
- 53 Fountain of music
- 54 Starting place?
- 57 Thurman of film
- 58 Gametes

60 Kuwaiti biggie (Var.) 3 Stepped along 11 Ball girl? 47 Bottomless nits fame 12 Needing no more

The Duplex | Glenn McCoy







Horoscope | Stella Wilder

SCORPIO (Oct. 23-Nov. 21) - This is not the time for trivial, meaningless arguments. Work together with family members toward a common goal.

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 22-Dec. 21) - What is it you're really after? The answer is more accessible now than it has been

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19) - Whoever gives you that special permission will be surprised at what you do with it — and how far you'll go to succeed.

AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 18) — You may find yourself involved in a whole-hearted tug-of-war with someone whose will is as strong as yours. It's anyone's guess who'll win.

is good, but could be better. Money matters demand attention, but not immediate action. Love calls — be sure to answer. ARIES (March 21-April 19) - If you cannot

PISCES (Feb. 19-March 20) — Your outlook

help, then you can stay out of the way and do your best not to be a hindrance. Play

TAURUS (April 20-May 20) - Individuality is of the utmost importance to you, and you're not likely to sacrifice any aspect of vourself for any reason.

GEMINI (May 21-June 20) — You may be leaning toward a decision which may surprise or even shock those in your inner circle. Still, be true to vourself.

making certain issues far too important. Listen to what others have to say, and be willing to temper your own point of view. cal side may be at war with that part of you that wants to call it all off and head out in a brand-new direction.

VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22) — A neat, clean and organized workspace promotes neat, clean and organized work. You can only get things done the right way at the right time. LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 22) - Technical

CANCER (June 21-July 22) - You may be LEO (July 23-Aug. 22) - Your sober, practi-

assistance will come to you when you most need it — provided you make it known that you are open to suggestions.

THEY MIGHT BE GIANTS

Live Online

From washingtonpost.com/liveonline

They Might Be Giants' JOHN FLANSBURGH was online Tuesday to discuss the band's documentary film "Gigantic (A Tale of Two Johns)" and children's book ("Bed, Bed, Bed").

I've seen you play at the old 9:30 club, the new 9:30 club, Lisner Auditorium and several times free or cheap around D.C. at festivals/ bookstores. Do you have a favorite venue or a favorite memory from a show here in Washington?

The old and new 9:30 has been the location for some of the greatest moments in our lives. We really love playing there. It's always a great, natural energy and a really comfortable environment.

What do you make of TMBG's status as the musical favorite of young self-described geeks?

I think the meaning of being a geek has really changed since we were kids. Being involved in computers involves a lot of reading and understanding technology and that kind of thing has a much more positive spin on it now than when I was kid. Personally, I hate being told I'm a geek and often get really pissy when it comes up, because, well, I'm not.

Is it true that "Istanbul" was done mostly in your home demo studio? Is using elements of demo tracks something you guys regularly do, or nowadays do you just start from scratch when you get into the studio?

That's true. Pretty much everything on "Istanbul" except the vocal and the violin was done at my studio. We need to fiddle around with sound a lot to make it interesting for ourselves and that means a lot of experimentation. We can't really do that in the studio and it makes us feel odd going down an unrewarding path with witnesses. With more "normal" rock songs we start from scratch sometimes.

Today on Live Online:

II A.M: Court TV "Forensic Files" Executive Producer Paul Dowling discusses "The Assassination of JFK.

2 P.M.: Singer/songwriter Billy Bragg discussses pop, politics and his "Tell Us The



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No. It Wasn't Part of the Act

Pop star **MEAT LOAF** collapsed on stage during a concert in London and is being treated for exhaustion brought on by a virus, hospital officials said Tuesday. A spokes-



man for Mercury, his record company, said Tuesday's night show was cancelled. The singer collapsed Monday on the first

sellout date at the venue. A spokesman for North West London Hospitals said the musician was recovering "from exhaustion due to a prolonged viral infection." (AP)

YAWN

The Name Alone Wearies Us

Now **PAMELA ANDERSON** has her own clothing line. "The Pamela Collection" will include jeans, T-shirts, sweaters, jewelry, lingerie and fragrance and is expected to be in stores by fall 2004. Anderson will debut the line Feb. 24 in Las Vegas, where she'll meet with buyers and



Or in MI RA Tu

Under Siege

Officers conducting a criminal investigation searched MICHAEL JACKSON'S NEVERLAND RANCH in Los Olivos, Calif., on Tuesday. The purpose of the raid was not disclosed. Court TV cited unidentified sources as saying the search warrant was tied to sexual-abuse allegations brought by a child. Jackson and his three children were not home for the raid. (AP)



Kasparov played via virtual spectacles.

GAMING

Agent Smith Beckons

World chess champion **GARRY KASPAROV** and his computerized rival X3D Fritz tied in the final game of a four-game tournament Tuesday, finishing the virtual reality showdown in a draw. Kasparov, 40, and his computer opponent entered game four tied at 1.5 points each. Kasparov tied the computer last week in the first game, lost the second one and won the third. (AP)

retailers. The 36-year-old actress is involved as a co-designer and has creative control. She described the line as "fun, sexy and super com-

fortable for the everywoman." "I want to make sure it's affordable and available," Anderson said. "I can't wait for



it to come out so I can get the clothes for myself and my friends." (AP)

LITIGATION Model Behavior

A former administrative assistant to **NAOMI CAMPBELL** claims in a lawsuit that the supermodel struck her and threw a telephone at her during a tantrum in a Beverly Hills hotel two years ago. Simone Craig, 29, asserts in a lawsuit filed Sept. 15 in state Superior Court in Morris County that Campbell grabbed her by the arms and threw her down on a couch

during a tantrum at L'Hermitage Hotel. The lawsuit also asserts that Campbell held Craig prisoner in the



room and yelled at her, "You're going to stay here and do yourjob." Campbell's attorney, John Rosenberg, told

The Associated Press on Tuesday that Campbell "categorically denies the allegations." (AP)

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